

The Battalion

New Student Court Goes Into Operation February 5

Reception Planned For Graduates Tomorrow Evening

A reception for graduates, their relatives and friends, and members of the faculty and college staff will be given at the home of President and Mrs. Gibb Gilchrist immediately following the commencement exercises tomorrow evening.

Baccalaureate services will be held Friday morning at 10:30 with Rev. O. G. Helvey, vicar of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, delivering the sermon. The commencement address will be given by Judge B. Y. McDaniel of McLennan County, with commencement exercises starting promptly at 7:00 p. m. The commencement professional will form on the lawn east of Guion Hall at 6:45 p. m.

Complete programs for the graduating exercises may be found in THE BATTALION of January 17.

Longhorn and Lou To Give Prizes for Best Snapshots

Ol' Lou came through again for the Aggies this week in his usual way. He is cooperating with the Longhorn staff's hunt for student life pictures by offering prizes for the best snapshots turned in each month from now until May 1.

The prizes will be \$7.50, first prize; \$5.00, second prize; and \$2.50, third prize. These will be for the three best pictures turned in each of the three months.

These pictures are to be made by the students, and the photos are to be turned in before the last Tuesday of each month. They will be judged by the Longhorn staff on the basis of subject matter, clearness of photo, and composition.

The subject can include anything that shows Aggies at work and play, such as life on the campus, Tesseland, Corps trips or any other gathering of Aggies and their friends. Pictures especially needed are those concerning the campus and dormitory life.

Ol' Lou, owner of Loupot's Trading Post, is really going out of his way to help the staff, so start those pictures rolling in.

What's Cooking

THURSDAY, JAN. 31

6:30 p. m.: Annual Sports Award Banquet, Sbsia Hall.
7:30 p. m.: A. & M. Consolidated Mothers and Dads Club, at High School gym.

FRIDAY, FEB. 1

10:30 a. m.: Baccalaureate services, at Guion Hall.
7:00 p. m.: Commencement exercises, at Guion Hall.
8:30 p. m.: Reception for graduates, faculty and staff at President's home.

SATURDAY, FEB. 2

End of second semester.

MONDAY, FEB. 4

8:00 a. m.: Registration starts for third semester.

TUESDAY, FEB. 5

12:00 noon: Kiwanis Club, at Sbsia Hall.
7:00 p. m.: Opening of Veterans Lounge, in Sbsia Hall.
7:30 p. m.: Dramatic Club, at Assembly Hall.
7:30 p. m.: Kiwanis bowling league, at Y. M. C. A.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 6

7:00 p. m.: Basketball, A. & M. vs. Texas U., at DeWare Field-house.

8:00 p. m.: Lois Bannerman and Gordon String Quartet, in Town Hall program at Guion Hall.

THURSDAY, FEB. 7

7:00 p. m.: "Evening of Fun" for veterans and wives, at Sbsia Hall.
8:00 p. m.: A. A. U. P. and Hillel Club, joint meeting at Sbsia Hall.

Lois Bannerman, Gordon String Quartet Are Next Attraction at Town Hall

One of the highlights of the 1945-46 Town Hall season is scheduled for February 6 as Lois Bannerman, "the angel with a harp", appears in joint recital with the famous Gordon String Quartet.

Miss Bannerman, who comes from Hempstead, New York, has been playing the harp since she was seven. While still in high school, she won a scholarship to the Juillard School of Music, where she studied under the great harpist, Carlos Salzedo. To round out her musical training, Lois also studied piano and theory. She was only fifteen when she won the Young Artist's Contest sponsored by the New York Madrigal Society — the first harpist ever to win these dual honors.

Still in her twenties, Miss Bannerman has been heard in recital throughout the country and in her short and distinguished career, has had an extraordinary number of glowing tributes paid to her. The following are just a few samples of critical comment:

"There can be little doubt that Lois Bannerman will be hailed within very few years as a virtuoso of the harp unsurpassed in this or any other country."

"Remarkable technique, admirable poise, subtle and interesting changes in tone color."

"Miss Bannerman's playing was the outstanding event of the evening."

Guion Hall Rocks As Players Bow Out In Final Jamboree

By James Davis

The lads that make up the Aggeland Orchestra and the Singing Cadets really earned their salt last night at the final Jamboree of the fall semester. Sweet and hot melodies poured forth with a quantity and quality that would have no equal. In fact, Guion Hall was about rocked apart and no one would have been a bit surprised to see the roof swaying along with the tunes.

The director of both organizations, Bill Turner, had a big time himself, as he got in several good solos with that golden trumpet of his. Of course, "Stardust" always seems better every time you hear it. The "Back-Beat Boogie" with trumpet solo by Don Simpson was the hit of the evening. That boy could make the maestro's horn talk.

After about half the program was up, the Singing Cadets filed onto the stage. Their first number was "The Lost Chord", with solo by Watson Keeney. Then came a brand new arrangement of "Begin the Beguine" and everyone enjoyed that pleasing rendition of an old favorite.

The program closed as usual, with the "Spirit of Aggeland" and the "Aggie War Hymn" being sung by all.

An interesting point about last night was that it was Songster Boyd Rogers' last time with the band. He leaves for the Navy soon. He rendered a fine farewell performance with "I Don't Know Why I Love You", and "I'd Rather Be A Texas Aggie."

Ruhmann Named 4-H Club Specialist

The appointment of Welton A. Ruhmann, '37, as Assistant 4-H Specialist, has been announced by Extension Service Director Ide P. Trotter.

The appointment is effective February 1.

Ruhmann was born in Kenedy, Karnes County, and received his B. S. degree in Agricultural Economics.

No less eminent in its field is the Gordon String Quartet, which has appeared this season in some of the outstanding theaters of the nation. Headed by Jacques Gordon as first violin, the quartet presents a combination of such individual artists as Michael Kuttner, second violin; Kras Malno, viola; and Gabor Retjo, cello.

The Quartet will open Wednesday's program with Smetana's "Quartet in E Minor" from My Life. Miss Bannerman will appear first in "Fantasie for Violin and Harp" by Saint-Saens, with Jacques Gordon playing the violin part, and then with the accompaniment of the entire quartet in Debussy's "Danse Sacree" and "Danse Profane". Other scheduled numbers are Schubert's "Quartet in One Movement", Speaight's "Lonely Shepherd", and Mendelssohn's "Scherzo".

Admission to the recital will be by Town Hall season ticket, with single admission set at 60¢ for adults and 25¢ for students.

Guion Theatre to Resume Full-Time Operation Feb. 1

Guion Hall Theatre will be open daily with continuous showings beginning at 1 p. m. until 10:30, starting Feb. 1, it was announced this week.

The new show schedule will consist of four changes of pictures weekly including a double feature on Fridays and Saturdays. Also a bargain day feature will be inaugurated every Thursday. This plan allows two persons to be admitted for one regular ticket plus 5¢ federal tax. Top productions will be shown on Sundays-Mondays, and Tuesdays-Wednesdays. Latest issues of News of the Day will be shown Friday-Saturdays and Sunday-Mondays of each week.

For the past semester, Guion Hall Theatre has been operating on a limited basis due to the small releases of pictures. However, wartime restrictions have been lifted on movie production and producers promise a great increase in pictures during 1946-47.

Staff Members to Attend Fertilizer Short Course

Four members of the A. and M. College and Extension Service staffs will study soil improvement and fertilizer problems at a regional short course for fertilizer dealers and manufacturers in Shreveport, Louisiana, February 5 and 6.

Extension Service specialists who will make the trip are E. A. Miller, agronomist, R. R. Lancaster, pasture specialist, and M. K. Thornton, agricultural chemist. Dr. R. L. Donahue, associate professor of agronomy, will represent the College.

Fertilizer dealers and manufacturers of Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Arkansas will attend the course for study and discussion of commercial fertilizer and its use in present soil building programs.



YOUNG, SLIM, BLONDE AND BEAUTIFUL describes Lois Bannerman, youthful harpist who will appear in a joint concert with the Gordon String Quartet at Town Hall on February 6. Still in her early twenties, Miss Bannerman stands on the threshold of a brilliant career—a virtuoso of a difficult yet haunting beautiful instrument.

Business Courses Consolidated in New Department; Leland Will Be Head

Effective with beginning of the Spring semester February 4, students of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas may begin in the first term of their freshman year the study of Business and Accounting, according to announcement of Dean T. D. Brooks of the School of Arts and Sciences.

Heretofore such training has been available to A. & M. students, but the program was carried in three separate departments of the college—Accounting and Statistics, Agricultural Economics and Economics. In reorganizing the college training in business, the department of Accounting and Statistics was transferred from the School of Agriculture to the School of Arts and Sciences, and hereafter will be known as the department of Business and Accounting, and all courses dealing primarily with business practice have been transferred to the new department from the Economics and Agricultural Economics Departments, Dean Brooks explained.

Heading the new department of Business and Accounting will be Thomas W. Leland who has just returned from a leave of absence to serve as educational director of the American Institute of Accountants in New York. Mr. Leland formerly headed the department of Accounting and Statistics, and is one of the nation's outstanding educators in the field of business and accounting.

Pursuit of the new curricula in business and accounting will earn for the four-year student a degree of Bachelor of Science, Dean Brooks pointed out. With few exceptions the courses to be employed in these new fields are existing courses, but there will be revision to some extent in title and content, and the degree obtained will more

Batt Jobs Open For Any and All

Many opportunities exist on the BATTALION staff for those students who desire to take advantage of them.

All students wishing to join either the editorial or sports staff are invited to do so by presenting themselves at the BATTALION office and announcing their intentions.

The BATTALION office, in case anyone doesn't remember, is in room 122 Administration Building. The phone number is 4-5444.

Standard of Conduct, Means of Punishment Are Defined

Members of Student Council Will Sit As Court Martial Board

By Sam Nixon

A new Student Court, combining the outstanding features of the present Senior Court with the procedure from the Army Manual for Court Martial, will become effective at Texas A. & M. on Tuesday morning, February 5, 1946.

Functions of the Court are defined in a guide drawn up by the Student Council, which states the purposes of the new organization as follows:

"In order to reduce to writing the many unwritten rules of Aggie custom, life, and traditions, and in an effort to standardize these requirements throughout the Cadets Corps, this Guide for the Student Court is prepared. When adopted by the entire Corps and supported by it, two definite advantages will result:

1. It will provide a clear presentation of the many unwritten rules of the Aggie way of living that are now subject to so many varied interpretations.

2. It will provide the student body with an effective method of discipline and punishment within itself.

Members of the Council will also sit as the Student Court, with the exception that a member cannot sit when a man of higher classification than the member is being tried.

The members of the Council are Bob King, president of the senior class; Eli Barker, cadet colonel; Leonard Williams and Hilton Hall, representatives of the Infantry regiment; Chester Reed and Joe McGowan, representatives of the Composite regiment; Glenn Bell, president of the junior class; Jack Brooks pointed out.

53 Register At Bottled Beverages Short Course Here

A total of 53 men connected with the carbonated bottled beverage industry registered for the three-week short course which opened at Texas A. & M. College this week and will continue through February 15. In addition, a visiting staff of instructors numbered 24 men high in the bottling field, as well as members of the regular teaching staff at the college.

A total of 23 states is represented in the registration with all sections of the nation from border to border and coast to coast sending representatives.

The course, now an annual affair, is sponsored by the American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages and is held in cooperation with Texas A. & M. College. All phases of the bottling industry are to be covered during the three-week period by instructors prominent in the several fields of the industry. To give some idea of the ground covered those attending will hear lectures and discussions and attend laboratories which will cover chemistry, physics, microbiology, syrup making, sweetening agents and syrups, carbon dioxide, water treatment, production and cost controls, carbonation, refrigeration, flavors, colors and acids, sanitary maintenance, bottling, bottle washing, bottle washing equipment, mechanical maintenance and operation of the bottling plant, bottles and crowns or caps and vehicle operation and safety factors.

The club officially went on record favoring some kind of spring entertainment for members of other Texas Aggie athletic teams. Consensus of opinion of club members was that one big party honoring athletes competing in all sports was not practical. Action on this matter was deferred until the club's meeting next month.

The club also voted to reimburse S. A. Lipscomb for the class ring given Major General George F. Moore to replace the one taken from him while he was a prisoner of the Japanese. This included the expense of a miniature of the ring which has been given to Mrs. Moore.

Joe S. Mogford held the lucky number in drawing for the attendance prize.

Singing Cadets Will Appear at Baylor U.

The Singing Cadets were presented Monday, January 28 in Concert at Sam Houston College in Huntsville under the sponsorship of the Sam Houston A. Capella Choir. Thirty cadets made the trip by bus from A. and M. returning Monday night after the performance. The group is scheduled to sing a concert at Baylor University on February 9th in Waco Hall.

Laughlin, president of the sophomore class; and William E. Martin, president of the freshmen class.

Methods of punishment for offenses determined by trial by the Student Court are set forth in Sections VIII and IX of the Guide.

One of the most outstanding accomplishments of the guide is to set down on paper a "Code of Aggie Student Life", under which a definite line is drawn as to accepted standards of conduct.

Student Affairs Issues Bulletin On Classification

To correct erroneous impressions of returning Aggies as to their classification, the Office of the Dean of Men has issued this bulletin:

"During the past few semesters the erroneous impression has grown up in the Cadet Corps that any student that returns to A. & M. College after an absence of one or more semesters will be entitled to the same class distinctions as those students who originally enrolled with him regardless of the length of his absence and of his academic classification. In some cases we have had students who entered college in the fall of '43 but failed to complete the first semester of Freshman work who now expect to return and enjoy the distinction of being a Senior on the campus. If this is permitted then these students would have spent six weeks on the campus as a Freshman and then seven and one-half semesters as a Senior.

Down through the years one of the finer traditions of A. & M. College has been that a man earns his own way in the Cadet Corps—both academically and as an Aggie—first as a Freshman, a Sophomore, then as a Junior and finally as a Senior. In order to preserve this fine tradition and to correct the erroneous impression of some members of the student body the following statement of policy is announced:

Effective immediately all class distinctions including correct uniform, of members of the Cadet Corps will be determined by the academic classification as shown in the Office of the Registrar unless a specific exception is made by the Dean of Men."

Beanblossom and Moore to Attend Memphis Meeting

S. A. Moore, poultry husbandman, and F. Z. Beanblossom, poultry marketing specialist, will represent the A. and M. College Extension Service at an area conference in Memphis, Tennessee, February 7 and 8.

According to notice from the Extension Service, Washington, D. C., poultry marketing problems will be discussed and particular emphasis will be placed on marketing of the egg surplus which is expected to arise during the spring months.

A similar conference was held in January 1945, and, according to Director M. L. Wilson, of the Extension Service, U. S. D. A., a number of state marketing and poultry specialists requested the February meeting to review achievements of the past year and consider the 1946 program.